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APPLICATION QUESTIONNAIRE

This questionnaire will assist you in determining which application to file for projects located within the Highlands Preservation Area. Completing this form is voluntary.

Please answer the following questions before applying for an application for a project located within the Highlands Preservation Area. To determine whether your project site is located within the Highlands Preservation Area, please use the Department's interactive mapping application (iMap) at www.nj.gov/dep/highlands.

1. Is the proposed project located within the Highlands Preservation Area?
 - a. If YES, go to 2 below.
 - b. If NO, visit the Department's webpage (www.nj.gov/dep) for program specific application information about other regulatory programs (not Highlands) that may affect your application.
2. Are you proposing that your site be designated as a Highlands Brownfield site in order to apply for a redevelopment waiver?
 - a. If YES, use the **Highlands Brownfield Designation Checklist and Application** forms found at www.nj.gov/dep/highlands
 - b. If NO, go to 3 below.
3. Do you only want to know about the environmental constraints (Highlands Resource Areas) on a property, because you are not proposing any development activities at this time?
 - a. If YES, use the Highlands Resource Area Determination forms at www.nj.gov/dep/highlands
 - b. If NO, go to 4 below.
4. Do you have questions about whether or not your project is exempt from the Highlands Act?
 - a. If YES, apply to the Division of Watershed Management for a **Highlands Applicability and Water Quality Management Plan Consistency Determination** to determine whether you are regulated pursuant to the Highlands Water Protection and Planning

- Act rules (N.J.A.C. 7:38) by using the forms for this application which are found at www.nj.gov/dep/highlands
- b. If NO, got to 5 below.
5. Have you already obtained a Highlands Applicability and Water Quality Management Plan Consistency Determination (Highlands Applicability determination)?
- a. If YES, go to 7 below.
 - b. If NO, go to 6 below.
6. If you have not obtained a Highlands applicability determination, you have the following two choices. You may either:
- a. Apply to the Division of Watershed Management for a **Highlands Applicability and Water Quality Management Plan Consistency Determination** to determine whether you are regulated pursuant to the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act rules (N.J.A.C. 7:38) by using the forms for this application which are found at www.nj.gov/dep/highlands; or
 - b. Sign the statement in the Highlands Preservation Area approval application checklist that stipulates that you know your project is regulated pursuant to the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act rules (N.J.A.C. 7:38) The application checklist is available at www.nj.gov/dep/highlands and go to 8 below.
7. What was the Department's finding in the Highlands Applicability Determination:
- a. If the project was found to be **exempt** from or **not regulated** by the Highlands regulations and **consistent** with the Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP), then visit the Department's webpage (www.nj.gov/dep) for program specific application information about other regulatory programs (not Highlands) that may affect your application.
 - b. If the project was found to be **exempt** from or **not regulated** by the Highlands regulations and **inconsistent** with the Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP), then complete the WQMP Amendment and Revision Pre-Application Form at www.nj.gov/dep/watershedmgt.
 - c. If the project was found to be **not exempt** from or **regulated** by the Highlands regulations and **consistent** with the Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP), then go to 8 below.
 - d. If the project was found to be **not exempt** from or **regulated** by the Highlands regulations and **inconsistent** with the Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP), then use the **Highlands Pre-Application Checklist** at www.nj.gov/dep/highlands.

8. Please check all that apply. The proposed project involves the following components:

☐ My project requires a new water supply (well or water extension).

☐ My project requires that I extend a sewer line

☐ My project requires that I amend the applicable Water Quality Management Plan

a. If you did not check any of the boxes above .then complete the **Highlands Preservation Area Approval Checklist** at www.nj.gov/dep/highlands

b. If you checked any of the boxes above, then complete the **Highlands Pre-Application Checklist** at www.nj.gov/dep/highlands.